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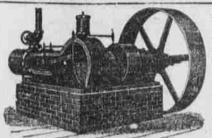
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Shoots and Mortally Wounds Editor Gonzales at Columbia, S. C.

SHOOTER WAS ARRESTED

The Tragedy Grew Out of the Recent Primary Election.

GONZALES WAS NOT ARMED

When Fired Upon, and Soon Afterward Made a Statement.

INTENSE EXCITIMENT PREVAILS

Tillman Is at County Jail Under the Protection of Officers and Refuses to Make a Statement

Columbia, S. C., January 15 .- Narciso ener Gonzales, editor of the State, is at the Columbia hospital, in a critical condi-tion from a pistol wound, inflicted by James H. Tillman, lieutenant governor of South Carolina, and a nephew of Benjamin R. Tiliman.

The shooting occurred on Main street, at the intersection of Gervals street, in full view of the State capitol, the most frequented corner of Columbia.

It was just a few moments before 2 clock when the cry was passed along the streets that "Jim Pillman had shot N. G. Genzales. Immediately there was a rush toward the

scene. The offices of the State are in the same block as the scenn of the shooting, and it took but a few moments for a great throng to assemble in front of the newspaper building. The excitement and indicnation on the streets were intense. Mr. Gonzales was taken to the office

of the State, where physicians pronounced his wound very dangerous and probably fatal.

Policeman Boland, immediately after the shooting, arrested Lieutenant Governor Tiliman and took him to police headquarters, where he was relieved of two pistols -the one with which he shot Mr. Genzales and a second large revolver of 85-calibre. From the police station he was taken to the county jail, where he is tonicht under protection of the officers. The only attributed cause for the shooting is that during the recent primary election Mr. Gonrales bitterly opposed Lieutenant Governor Tillman in his race for governor.

During the progress of that campaign Mr. Generales in his fight to defeat Mr. Tillman had editorially called him a debauchee and blackguard, and had denounced him as a "eriminal candidate" and a "preven liar." t was these editorial expressions, it is supposed, that goaded Mr. Tillman to the

tragedy. Mr. Gonzales was walking home alone from his office to his lunch.

elect Wratt Aiken and former Representative Deminick. The meeting with Gennales was just at the turn of Main and Gervals streets, on the north side of the fighting, no laying on of hands. Tillman, so far as the evidence discloses, simply drew his revolver and fired at Gonzales. Most of those who saw the affair say there was nothing said until after the shot. One of Tillman's escorts says he then heard Tillman say: "I received your message," and then

TEXAS. fired.

He is not certain of this, but thinks so. The other compositon of Mr. Tilliunn says he did not hear anything, but thinks he would have heard any words if they were Seed Potatoes

Two or three others say they heard nothng until after the firing of the pistol. Consales himself gave an explicit efate-ment of the affair, prior to being put under angesthetics. He was very exceptatic in saying that he had not sent any message to Tillman at any time, and that Tillman said nothing until after he had fired, and then after the shot he said something about taking him (Gonzales) at his word.

Gonzales took this to negen that Tillman told him he was settling old issues face to face with him. Gonzales is certain that nothing was said until after the shot was fired, when he tottered to the street transfer station, against which he leaned. Tillman was still pointing his pistel at him, whereupon Gonzales said;

"Shoot again, you coward." pistol and walked away.

Try a 2 Minute Conversation



LEIUT. GOV. TILLMAN SHOOTING OF GONZALES

Caused Great Excitement at Columbia, Which Was Filled With Politicians.

Senator Bailey said this evening he would

try to pass the Mason bill by unanimous consent and if any one on the republican

side objected he would see to it that no

more measures emanating from that side

were passed by unanimous consent while

Altogether, the matter seems to be in

rather an unsettled condition, particularly

since Senator Foster says he will oppose

any bill which interferes with Louisians.

Morgan City, the present port of entry, a

subport under Port Arthur. Consequently

tory in the makeup of the new district.

TEXAS PATRONAGE.

(Special to The Post.)

The local situation does not seem to be

changed in any Important particular. State

general, the topic under discussion being, presumably, the Southern district attorney

National Committeeman Hawley, neverd

ing to statements made at his office tonight.

unater General Payne. The engagemen for this interview has aircady been made.

Later in the day it is thought that How

ley and Lyon will see each other, and it is

ONLY TWO CONFIRMATIONS:

consent to the consideration of business

until he could receive assurance of

until he could receive assurance of consideration of his bill, making Port Arthur a port of entry. He complained at the failure of the committee on commerce to report the bill to the senate. He asked in open season that the bill be put on its Dassage, independent of the committee's action, but Senator Hauns objected. The senate committee on milliary affairs today authorized a favorable report on the general staff bill, which passed the house a week ago, but amended it in several particulars.

plicant for reappointment.

will be here tomorrow and immediately

ship and possibly other judicial appoin

Washington, January 15,-One more Fed-

he was in congress.

the Louisiana sepater.

Columbia, S. C., January 18.-Within the very shadow of the South Carolina State house, Lieutenant Governor James H. Tillman this afternoon shot and prob ably fatally wounded Narciaso Gener Consales, founder and editor of the Columbia State, a newspaper which has, since its inception, bitterly opposed the so-called Tillman faction in South Carolina politics. The two men have been awarn enemies for some years and Tillman's animosity was accentuated by Gonzales' nounced editorial opposition to him as a candidate for the democratic nomina-tion for governor during last fail's primary. In that campaign Gonzales made editorial reference to Tillman as a "flar," "scoundrel" and "debauchee." A challengs to a duel followed, but Gonzales ignered it. It is reported that the lunnediata cause of the attack was a message yesterday by Gonzales to Tiliman Last night at the Columbia hotel the Hentenant governor said to a group of his friends:

"Gonzales has sent me word that when we meet again we shall settle our dif ficulties with pistols."

Gonzales' friends deny that he sent a message of any character to Tillman. Statements of eyewitnesses to the tragedy are somewhat conflicting, and it is not stated whether or not any words passed between the men before the shot was The condition of the wounded man at a late hour tonight was regarded by the

surgeons as very critical. Tillman was arrested and is confined in the county jail, pending the outcome of Gonzales' injuries.

The affair caused very great excitement in the city, which is filled with politicians, here to participate in the inauguration of the new State government. Lieutenant Governor Tillman's term will expire within a few days. Some expressions of a desire for summary vengeance were heard on the streets after the shooting. but nothing of a serious character developed.

Governor McSweeney's Comment. Governor McSweeney was asked toright for an expression as to the Tillman-

Gonzales shooting. He said:

"It was a most deplorable affair, and that is all I can say about it just now; further than that, the conduct of a State officer in carrying concealed weapons can not be too severely condemned, for he is one whose sworn duty it is to uphoid the law and defend it in this respect, as well as in others."

************************************ other in full view since the opening of the by the failure of the committee to act. present seasion of the legislature, on last Tuesday, but there has been no encounter. no word passed and no recognition of any kind before today. Throughout today's affair Lieutenant Governor Tillman was perfectly cool and collected, sober and unexcited, to all appearances.

Mr. Gonzales was unarmed. In a few moments after the wounded man had been conveyed to the office of his newspaper. half a dozen or more physicians were doing any bill which interferes with Louisians, all they could to save his life. It was The Muson bill abelishes the present dispromptly decided that the only hope was | trict of the Teche in that State and makes o perform an operation. Lieutenant Governor Tillman was asked

for a statement, but said he had been advised by his counsel to say absolutely nothing, and he followed their advice to the etter.

Surgeons performed an operation upor Gonzales at the city hospital late this afternoon. The operation was regarded as suc comful, but the physicians state that the wounded man has only one chance in five to live. His constitution and habits of life are stated to be greatly in his favor. The wound is an ugly one, the liver and

intestines being punctured. Gonzales is of Spanish extraction, being used with its canal. Practically everybody the son of Ambrose Jess Gonzales, who, in the town, he said, was now in favor desperate deed of today. Since the first with Narcisso Lopez, began the struggle for of the bill providing for a connection with

primary August 26, 1902. Mr. Gonzales has Cuban independence in 1848. He is now 45 Taylors baron, which is now being pushed bad nothing to say about Mr. Tillman ex- years old. He himself served in the ranks by Representative Cooper. cept to comment on the result of the pri- of the Cuban insurgents in 1895. He organ ized the Columbia State, a newspaper, in There appears to be no conflict of tes- 1891, and has been always a bitter opponen Imony as to the essential features of the of the Tiliman faction in South Carolina Fight for the District Attorneyship Adds polities. In a starement before the operation, Mr.

Lieutenant Governor Tillman left the Gonzales made it plain that he sought no State bouse just after the senate, over difficulty, that, to avoid a collision with the presided, bad adjourned. He Tillman, who was walking with two senwhich he presided, had adjourned. He Tillman, who was waiting with two sen- list of those which are to be fought over-came out of the State house accompanied ators, he cut across the pavement and it is the attornovable of the Southern disby Senator Talbord of Beaufort and Sen-ator Brown of Darlington, and he was folued on his way up town by Congressman-Gonzales spoke to Tiliman and told him to of mind want McLemore's job, among them being Lock McDaniel of Houston and R. E.

Genzales speke to Tillman and being Lock McDaniel of Houston and 'shoot again, you coward."

Thiman, after the shooting, walked out Hannay of Hempstead.

National Committeeman Hawley is supinto the middle of the street, where he was Gervals street. He was met there by sev. State Chairman Lyon is for some one else. eral friends, but said nothing. The police presumably Hannay. Judge Waller Burns took from him the long-range magazine pis-tol, which contained one coupty cartridge, and a large Colt revolver.

Gonzales says he saw Tillman two dars before, and Tillman saw him. As to send changed in any important particular. State ing any message to Tillman, he said he had not done so, and he was positive Till-brid a long conference with the atterney had not done so, and he was positive Till-brid a long conference with the atterney and the said the said that the said had not done so, and he was positive Till-bridge make discussion had not done to be said to be man fired before he said a word. in the city the wildest excitement pre-

valled and thousands, congregated at the scene of the shooting and at the newspaper GONZALES' GONDITION

Columbia, S. C., January 16. - At 1:15 offer his arrival will have a talk with Postthis morning the hospital bulletin sayar Pulse 118: respiration 30: temperature 99 3-5. Mr. Gouzaies alceping quietic,"

Columbia, S. C., January 16, 3 s. m .-Builetin in regard to Mr. Gonzales' condition at this hour is as follows: 'Philes 114: respiration 50; temperature 50 4.5. Still resting quietly."

NO ACTION ON PCRT ARTHUR BILLS Senator Bailey to Oppose Unanimous Consent Until Fairly Treated. a Lengthy Hearing. (Special to The Post.

Washington, January 15.—Much to the surprise of those interested, the senate committee on commerce falled to take ac-Licutenant Governor Tiliman lowered his tion on the Port Arthur bills today. An extended hearing was given during the There was only one shot fired, and that forenoon and a few minutes before the comntered the right side, between the eighth | mittee adjourned Senator Bailey, Mr. J. nd ainth ribs, and passed through the H. Kirby and two or three gentlemen left ody, coming out just above the free bor- the committee room fully imbued with the der of the ribs. The bullet was pleked idea that something tangible would be done. When The Post correspondent was Gonzales and Tiliman have passed each admitted shortly afterward, the clerk said that the committee had dwindled to such amail proportions when the adjournment time came that a vote was not attempted. This was in face of the fact that no one but Republican Scintor Free (chairman of the committee; and Scantor Berry had left the room during the ferty five minutes inmediately preceding adjournment and that a quorum was present. The only information vouchsafed was that the committee SOUTHWESTERN TELEGRAPH AND had been addressed by Scuator Bailey, Mr. TELEPHONE COMPANY. Kirbr, Mr. Patrick Calbous of New York and Judge Duke of Triglula, who has interests at Sabine. Judge E. B. Mentse, who is here as representative of the Port Arthur board of trade, was not present. Senator Bailey was very much surprised

THE CUBAN TREATY

A Favorable Report Has Been Ordered by the Senate Committee.

BAILEY WILL OPPOSE IT

Said That the Texan is to Lead the Fight Against Ratification.

BELIEVES IT UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Two Amendments Were Proposed by the Committee in its Report

IT IS TO BE CALLED UP NEXT MONDAY

There is an Agreement That the Treaty Is Not to Be Interfered With-Demoorats Will Offer Amendments.

(Special to The Post.)

Washington, January 15 .-- A favorable reort on the Cuban reciprocity treaty was agreed on by the senate committee on foreign relations today. All the votes cast were in the affirmative except those of Senator Bailey and Senator Bacon Georgia. It is known that there will be determined opposition to the treaty frem democratic sources when it is taken up for final action by the senate, and it is now generally understood that Senator Bailey is to be the leader of this opposition, and that Senator Foster of Louisiana will be prominent on the same side.

Senator Bailey is opposed to the ratificaion of the treaty on constitutional grounds. As has already been explained in these dispatches, be believes that reciprocal trade relations with foreign countries can not constitutionally be arranged by treaty Insumuch as in such cases the treaty affects the revenues and the constitution provides that all measures of that kind shall originate in the house.

With the junior Texas senator to lead the opponents of the treaty, it is admitted that its friends will have a hard fight on their hands and that they will probably lose. It is understood that Mr. Bailey will make an extended speech, but as it will be in executive session, it can not, of course, be made public.

that measure will doubtless be opposed by The committee Sensior Balley's whole purpose seems to ments. The first of these is the guarantee against a further reduction of the sugar e simply to make Port Arthur a port of entry, and it is likely that he would agree tariff which was adopted yesterday, and to a measure which used only Texas territhe other makes a reduction of 40 per cent in the reduction of the duty on American Judge Mentre today asked The Post corcattle exported to Cubs, instead of 20 per respondent to say that the people of Port ent, as provided in the treaty as it was Arthur were not in sympathy with the originally transmitted to the senste. Benes action of the Port Arthur Canal company tors Racon and Ratley cast their votes in refusing to allow the government to cod-

The amendment transferring cattle to the present per cent list was accepted because tariff which led them to the c the change would be equitable. Republican nembers of the committee voted for the resolution to report the treaty and Sena-tor Morgan voted with them. Senator Money was absent and Jenator Rawlins

Article 8 of the treaty, as amended by the committee, reads:

"The rates of duty horein granted by the United States to the republic of Cuba are and shall continue during the term of rids convention preferential in respect to all like Imports from other conntries, and in return for said preferential cates of duty It is agreed that the concessions herein granted on the part of the republic of Cabo to the products of the United States shall likewise be and shall confinue during the term of this convention preferential in cespect to like imports from other countries. Provided, that, while this convention is in orce, no sugar being the product of the noti or the industry of the republic of Cuba shall be exported from said republic to the United States at a greater reduction of duly than 20 per cent below the rates prescribed by the act of July 24, 1897; and provided further, that, while this convenion in in force, no sugar shall be imported into the United States from any foreign country at a lower rate of duty than that mposed by the act of July 24, 1807."

hater in the day, in the executive sension of the wenute, Senator Cullom reported the resty as amended by the committee, and nor, next, and would endeavor to secure notion on it at the earliest possible day; committee in whitetors.

possible they may call on the president.

The latest office seeker to arrive here is
Postmaster Stone of Waco, who is an ap-The agreement also provides that the Statehood bill will not prevent consideration of the treats. A number of demorate oppose ratification and the amendments that were voint down in committee will be reoffeeed. The damacrats, how-Washington, January 15,-There were ever, are not sold in their opposition, and only two confirmations in today's executive those who do oppose it are not settled as session of the senate, as Senator Balley anto the plan they shall pursue. nounced that he would oppose unanimous

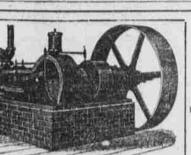
> Henry Starr's Sentence Commuted-Washington, January 15. The president today commuted the diffeen-year sentence of Henry Starr of the Indian Territory so that it will expire today. Since was convicted in 1908 of manslanghter and also on two charges of robbery. He served four years in juil pending his trial, and has since served five years, which, with time allowed for good condum, is more than equivalent to the aftern year sentence.

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